



BernCo at a Glance E-newsletter

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Change your Clock this Sunday

Daylight Saving
Time begins on
Sunday, March 8 at 2 a.m.
This is also a good time to
refresh your smoke alarm
batteries. *"Change your
clocks, change your
batteries."*

Sandia Ranch Property Public Meeting

Wednesday, March 18
6 – 7:30 p.m.

Raymond G. Sanchez Community Center
9800 Fourth St. NW

Meeting will share proposed uses and
improvements to the vacant property
located north of Osuna Boulevard on Edith
Boulevard, formally known as Sandia
Ranch.

For questions, please contact the planning
manager, John Barney at 505-314-0400.



Safari Run is Sunday, March 22

Global Health Partnership's 2020 Safari Run is happening Sunday, March 22 at the UNM North Campus Golf Course, 2201 Tucker Ave. NE. Events include a free kids' running clinic, 1k kid's race, a 5k fun run/walk and an 8k race. All participants will receive a hand-carved wooden safari animal from Kenya. Events begin at 8:30 a.m. African drummers, food, music, and artisan crafts for sale. Come join the fun! Register at www.SafariRun.org.



BernCo Expands Training and Education Services for Traumatic Brain Injuries and Cultural Competencies

Promoting wellness and recovery via mental health



BernCo awards \$1 million for mental health training & education programs in the community. The trainings offered include: brain injury support groups, training for first responders and school staff to identify and respond to signs of trauma in children, cultural competencies for black New Mexicans with mental health needs, empathic listening, mindfulness, and family-to-family programs. These are just a handful of the services that these providers are able to offer to the community at no cost. The providers for this project include: ARCA, All Faiths, New Mexico Black Mental Health Coalition, New Mexico Motivational Interviewing Training Center, and the National Alliance on Mental Illness. [More info at http://www.bernco.gov/Department-Behavioral-Health-Services/default.aspx](http://www.bernco.gov/Department-Behavioral-Health-Services/default.aspx).

BernCo Receives Triple A Bond Ratings



Bernalillo County has kept its triple A bond rating with the three major rating companies in the country, Moody's, Fitch and Standard and Poor's. Bond ratings are critical to government agencies. The higher bond rating means the county receives lower interest rates when selling bonds to finance voter-approved projects. The bond rating companies cite Bernalillo County's strong fiscal management, ample reserve levels, prudent budgeting and strong liquidity profile as contributing factors. On Feb. 12, the county sold an \$8.375 million general obligation bond package to finance storm drain, library, parks, and facility improvement projects. Over time, the county will incur less debt because of lower interest rates directly related to the triple A ratings.

Census 2020 Goes Live on March 12

The Census goes live on March 12! This month depending on where you live, you will be invited to participate in the Census via a postcard invitation or a paper survey. If you never receive your invitation or lose it, you can still complete the Census online, via phone, or by paper. Look for your invitation today and get counted!





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- Metropolitan Detention Center (general inmate info): (505) 839-8700
- Roads and traffic: (505) 848-1504 or (505) 848-1503
- Animal Care Services: (505) 468-PETS
- Property Maintenance (report a park or facility that needs cleanup): (505) 224-2119
- Schedule a large item pick-up: (505) 892-1200
- Department of Behavioral Health Services customer service: (505) 468-1555
- Court of Wills, Estates and Probate (general info): (505) 468-1232
 - Schedule an appointment: call (505) 468-1229 or email, probate@bernco.gov
- Unclaimed & Indigent Cremation Program: (505) 468-7295
- Accounts Payable general inquiries: (505) 468-7020
- Neighborhood Coordinator, Darrell Dady: (505) 468-7364, ddady@bernco.gov
- All other calls: (505) 468-7777 or email, contactcenter@bernco.gov

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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- Glyphosate Moratorium

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